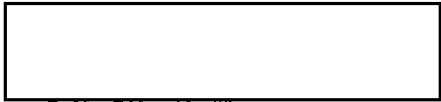DD/S 72-4673

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Motor Pool Garage

    1. In a discussion with Mr. Colby on 18 December regarding the motor pool garage Mr. Colby said that he mentioned the Woodruff remark to the Director who had reacted positively that we should charge ahead and get the building built. I told Mr. Colby that I was not familiar with the Woodruff business but had heard that OLC was proposing to write to the Congressional committees concerning the garage. I pointed out that we were placed in a spot in that I had passed to the Director of Logistics his (Mr. Colby's) instruction to try and speed up the letting of the contract and the initiation of actual construction. Mr. Colby indicated that OLC had contacted Mr. Woodruff and he had thought that it might be advisable to check this matter with the committee chairman before proceeding since it had not been a budget line item. I told Mr. Colby that based on the Director's reaction I would reiterate to the Director of Logistics the desire to proceed as early as possible with the construction contract and its implementation.

    2. I subsequently passed the confirmation of earlier instructions to Mr. Blake. He will be in touch with Mr. Hartman who is the GSA officer responsible for this construction project. In our conversation we agreed that we would not pressure to the point that we focused any unusual attention on the project.

    3. On 20 December Mr. Colby advised that correspondence to Congress is being prepared which is to advise what we are doing but without asking for approval. It is expected that the Director will act on this correspondence on 21 December. I reiterated the present status of the project and the expected timetable for the next GSA action. I recommended that we not take any additional action with GSA at this time. I passed the above to Mr. Blake.

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